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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
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H. M. BEVIS,
Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1900. [417b]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

on

SATURDAY, the 7th April, 1900,
Commencing at 2.30 P.M.,

At "DUNOTTAR," THE PEAK RESIDENCE of
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THE WHOLE of the

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BEDSTEADS with Spring Mattresses,
CHILD'S IRON COT, CUPBOARD, ORNA-
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GLASSWARE, KITCHEN STOVE, PIC-
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Full Brass Double BEDSTEAD with Spring
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Several FINE OIL PAINTINGS and EX-
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A Large Quantity of PLANTS in Pots and
Several GARDEN SEATS and Small Large
WOODEN FLOWER TUBS.
One COTTAGE PIANO, by Richards & Co.,
in Good Order.
One Gentleman's BICYCLE.
On View from WEDNESDAY, the 4th April,
Catalogues can be had from that date either
at the House or from the Undersigned.
TERMS OF SALE—As customary.

PAUL BREWITT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1900. [417b]

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that SCRIP
NUMBER 32 for TEN SHARES of this
Company, numbered 7165 to 7174, and
dated the 20th May, 1893, in the name of
FUNG WA CHUN, of Hongkong, having
been LOST, a New Scrip for the same will
be issued after One month from the Date hereof,
and the Original Scrip will be considered by
the Company as Null and Void, and all persons
are hereby warned against accepting or negoti-
ating the same.

By Order,
C. MOONEY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1900. [417b]

KAISERLICH DEUTSCHE REICHS-
POSTDAMPFER LINE.

KAPT. O. CUPPERS erlaubt sich das
Hongkong Publikum zu einer Besichtigung
des Norddeutschen Lloyd Dampfers
"ROYAL ALBERT".

am Dienstag, 3. April, A.D. von 4 bis 6 Uhr
Nachmittags, Kowloon Anlegeplatz, ergebenst
einladend.

Tur Auftrage,
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agenten.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

CAPTAIN O. CUPPERS, begs to invite the
Public of Hongkong to an inspection of
the Norddeutscher Lloyd Steamer
"ROYAL ALBERT".

on TUESDAY, the 3rd April, A.D. and from
4 to 6 o'clock, P.M., KOWLOON PIER.

By Order,
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agenten.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1900. [417b]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.
The Company's Steamship

"HAIMUN,"
Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on SUNDAY, the 1st April,
at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAURIE & Co.,
Hongkong, 30th March, 1900. [417b]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR NINGPO.
The Company's Steamship

"CHINKIANG,"
Captain Vaughan, will be despatched as above
on MONDAY, the 2nd April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1900. [377b]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.
The Company's Steamship

"SHANSI,"
Captain Carnahan, will be despatched as above
on TUESDAY, the 3rd April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1900. [407b]

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 1900.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

RUSSIA AND COREA.

What with the Russian Loan to Corea and the general activity displayed by Russia of late with regard to her relations with the latter country during the last few months, it is easy to see that she wishes to get Corea under her thumb in the same manner as she is attempting to gain control of Persia. The news wired by our Yokohama Correspondent, which we published in our Extra to-day, shows that Russia is once more active and is pushing the wedge still further into Corea by means of the demand now put forward for a concession at Masampo. It will be remembered that this concession has been upon the tapis for some time past but that hitherto the Russians have failed to obtain it owing to the fact that certain Japanese had quietly bought up the land in question and the Emperor of Corea was unable, however willing he might have been, to dispossess them of their titles. Now indeed, one may say that Corea is between the Devil and the deep sea. On the one hand is Russia, to whom she is bound by financial ties, and on the other, Japan to whom she practically owes her present independence. Russia wishes to absorb Corea and Japan, although perhaps not willing to assimilate the country, is most emphatically opposed to Russia as a neighbour in Corea. What can Corea do? We think she can only submit to one or the other of the Powers concerned, for she is not strong enough to protest, and to which ever one she turns she is bound to offend the other.

If, as our Correspondent announces, the Russian fleet is backing up the Tsar's representative by making a display of force at Chemulpo, we fully expect to see the concession granted, for we do not fancy that the Emperor would have sufficient foresight to see that there was the Japanese fleet also looming up in great force, although not actually lying in Chemulpo harbour. In fact at the present day a foreign policy is nothing more or less than a gigantic game of bluff. The Great Powers can play with the smaller ones and the latter cannot object, for objection means war and war nowadays is not lightly entered upon. This being the case we may well leave Corea out of the question, she is utterly powerless and the matter will have to be discussed, if any discussion takes place, between Japan and Russia, the two Great Powers concerned. They are the ones to enter into the game of bluff, playing off their fleets and armies one against the other, each well knowing that the fact of one making a call for a show of cards means war.

Russia has been concentrating her troops at Port Arthur and Vladivostok of late until in each of these ports she must have an immense army, while Japan, as we know, has been quietly perfecting her arrangements until it is said that she is prepared to send a large force to the invasion of Corea at a few hours notice. Japan's fleet, too, is by no means to be despised and could, we believe, if properly fought prove a very hard nut for the Russian squadron to crack. Thus the position stands that either Russia or Japan must back down or war is inevitable. Will the two Powers concerned consider the game to be worth the candle?

CRUSADE AGAINST REFORMERS, IN
HONGKONG.

In our last issue we gave publicity to reports in circulation with reference to the suspicious circumstances under which a Mr. KWONG (of Yokohama and Hongkong) had disappeared from the circle of his friends in Hongkong.

Mr. KWONG was a Reformer and it appears that the evidence against him, as supplied by the Chinese representative in Japan, is to the effect that he is a close personal friend of KANG YU WEI and LIANG CHI CHAO and was in fact the proprietor, or held most of the shares in, the Chinese paper, styled *Ching Yi Po*, published in Yokohama in the interest of the Reform Party. This paper it is stated, was started soon after KANG YU WEI (the "Modern Confucius") took up his residence in Japan in the winter of 1898, and was launched under his direction and advice, Mr. LIANG CHI CHAO (who it will be remembered, fled from Peking at the same time as KANG YU WEI) being the Sub-Editor and General Manager.

Some say that that among the Reformers KANG is known as "No. 1," Mr. LIANG as "No. 2," and missing Mr. KWONG as "No. 3." This being the case and the *Ching Yi Po* having ceaselessly attacked the Empress Dowager and her partisans a big reward was offered for KWONG, dead or alive. His name, it is stated, is at the head of the list of some 3,000 Reformers believed to have been issued by direction of LI HUNG-CHANG to one LO HOK SHAN with instructions to spare neither effort nor expense in getting hold of any of the men whom it has pleased the Empress Dowager to sentence to be "removed." What price was placed on the hapless KWONG's head we know not, but it is probable that 100,000 would not be considered as an excessive reward for the killing or capture of such a prominent man.

Yesterday, as we have already reported, it was currently stated that KWONG had been "spirited away" to Canton but subsequent enquiry leads to the belief that KWONG could not have been captured had not some of his "friends" aided and abetted the minions of the Canton authorities in their foul work. It certainly does seem strange that although many of the confederates of this gentleman knew (according to yesterday's reports) Canton "friends" were down here endeavouring to induce him to take a trip to the fair "City of Rams" on business, yet none of them became so alarmed about his safety as to lay information with the British Authorities until the deed was done—until poor Mr. KWONG was already beyond the reach of British intervention! It would be well,

we think, if the authorities were to trace to its source whatever information was lodged with a view to getting the British authorities to move.

Is seems quite on the cards that a very daring attempt has been made to put the British Authorities off the scent and at the same time embroil us with the Chinese Government. If, as seems likely enough, KWONG was actually lured into a trap here in Hongkong and taken straight on board one of the big Chinese cruisers which were lying in Kowloon Bay for several days prior to the alarm being given, then a useful purpose might be served by using the wires with a view to having a very close watch kept on the movements etc., etc., of the cruisers in question.

Some years ago a daring attempt was made by the Chinese Government to kidnap an alleged political offender in this Colony and it led to very heated official controversy. Is there any reason for believing that the Chinese Government is now more likely to scruple about such a grave breach of international usage than it was a few years ago? Probably not; otherwise it would not have despatched from Canton numbers of armed ruffians to this and neighbouring colonies, including Singapore, for the sole purpose of killing or capturing men whose only offence, if such it can be termed, is loyalty to the legitimate occupant of the Dragon Throne. This loyalty to the Emperor KWONG SU the Dowager is pleased to regard as disloyalty to her, godself. That, however, is no reason why the Great Powers, or any of them should accord to a usurper the consideration due to a "crowned head." The gracious Dowager has never laid her case, whatever it may be, before the Powers. She has never given to the nations with which treaties have been concluded either rhyme or reason for desiring the deposition, the self-encasement of the Emperor KWONG SU and it should, therefore, cause her no surprise to find a general lack of sympathy with her crusade against men who appear to have the welfare of the Empire—the maintenance of its integrity—at heart.

If there be traitors in the camp, as some Reformers seem to fear, it is to be hoped they will be discovered before more serious mischief is done. Such men would not scruple to take rewards from both sides, and viewing with more or less approval Chinese methods of justice and emoluments would probably be greatly amused and handsomely rewarded did they succeed in providing entertainment for the mischievous Empress and her Russian coadjutors by fooling and entangling the much-hated JOHN BUTL.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM.

RUSSIA AND COREA.

THE MASAMPO AFFAIR.

RUSSIAN DEMANDS SUPPORTED
BY THE FLEET.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

YOKOHAMA, 30th Mar., 11.20 a.m.

The Russian Representative at Seoul has had an audience with the Emperor of Corea and demanded concessions of land at Masampo. The Russian squadron is at Chemulpo and is believed to be supporting the demand by a show of force.

Received at noon.

Published at 1 p.m.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR.

CASUALTIES TO 24TH MARCH.

OVER NINETEEN THOUSAND.

LONDON, MARCH 28th.

An official statement of Casualties up to 24th inst., including sick, gives a total of over 19,000.

LORD ROBERTS GOES SOUTH.

ADVANCE DELAYED.

Lord Roberts is going to Cape Town to meet Lady Roberts. A forward move is not probable for a month.

FAURESMITH AND JAGERS-
FONTEIN OCCUPIED.

General Clements has occupied Fauresmith and Jagersfontein.

SIR A. MILLNER AT BLOEM-
FONTEIN.

Sir A. Millner is at Bloemfontein.

THE COLONIES AND THE WAR.

THEIR VIEWS OF PEACE.

The Australian Premiers have jointly cabled to Mr. Chamberlain that it is undesirable to conclude peace except on terms of absolute British Supremacy in South Africa.

LATER.

REPORTED DEATH OF COM-
MANDANT JOUBERT.

Reuter's correspondent at Lourenco Marques wires that Commandant Joubert is dead.

COL. PITCHER'S RECON-
NAISSANCE.

LANDROST CAPTURED.

BATTLE IMPENDING.

Col. Pitcher's reconnaissance captured the Landrost of Ladybrand

before retiring. A strong force of Boers, presumed to be Commandant Olivier's commando, subsequently occupied strong positions in the neighbourhood. It is believed their retreat towards Kroonstadt is intercepted and that a battle is impending.

LATER.

DEATH OF COMMANDANT
JOUBERT.

THE NEWS CONFIRMED.

Commandant Joubert died of stomach complaint.

THE TRANSVAAL COMMANDERS.

SMUTS AT THE HEAD.

Commandant Smuts now commands the Transvaal fighting line.

Commandant Delarey is ill.

OPERATIONS IN THE
FREE STATE.

OCCUPATION OF LADYBRAND.

Ladybrand was occupied by Commandant Crowther, not by Commandant Olivier. It is believed that the latter is beyond pursuit.

NEWS FROM MAFEKING.

FOOD SUFFICIENT.

Reuter's correspondent at Mafeking, 16th inst., says that the investment was still relaxed. The enemy is concentrating to the Northward to oppose Col. Plumer. There was sufficient food in Mafeking but rations would shortly be reduced.

THE FAR EAST.

THE CHINA SQUADRON.

H.M.S. "Terrible" has sailed from the Cape for China.

THE RUSSIAN SQUADRON GOES
TO PORT ARTHUR.

An official announcement at St. Petersburg says that the Russian Squadron on the Korean Coast has proceeded to Port Arthur.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says:—

On the 30th at 11.35 a.m. the barometer continues to fall slowly on the China coast. Pressure remains high over Japan, and low, apparently, in N. China. Gradients slight for E. and S.E. winds on the China coast. FORECAST:—Moderate E. winds; rainy.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.E. the Governor will formally open the Bellios Refractory at Causeway Bay at 11 a.m. on Monday next, the 2nd April.

THE accounts of the Shield Semi-Finals and Final have been audited and a balance of \$163.31 has been handed over by the Hongkong Football Club to the Shield Fund. Mr. H. W. Looker is now Honorary Secretary of the Hongkong Football Club.

THE Band of the Hongkong Regiment will play at the Hongkong Hotel to-morrow (Saturday) evening from 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.

PROGRAMME.

March..... "Queen's Guards"..... Williams.
Overture..... "Le chemin de la Gloire"..... King.
Valentine..... "El Zorro"..... Roper.
Selection..... "Dorothy"..... Sullivan.
Patriotic..... "Melodies from old Opera"..... Kappeler.
Polka..... "Fun of the Fair"..... Agostini.
"God save the Queen."

YESTERDAY we reported a piece of pretty cool impudence but to-day another case came to light which can go one better. It is generally supposed that the Captain Superintendent of Police and the Chief of the Detective Staff could be sure that their property would be safe from molestation at the hands of the pilfering Chinese boy, but this has proved to be not the case, as yesterday it was discovered that the boy employed by the Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G., (Acting Colonial Secretary) and formerly Capt. Superintendent of Police) had robbed him of his revolver and some gold jewellery. The boy was subsequently caught at the pawnbrokers with the articles in his possession. He has moreover confessed that he was in league with the boys working for Mr. Mackie and Mr. Hanson. All three boys are in custody. For some time past they have been perambulating the streets in silks and raiments of fine linen.

THEATRE ROYAL.

THE DALLAS COMPANY'S FAREWELL.

Last night the Dallas Company gave their farewell performance, "A Runaway Girl" being the piece chosen for the occasion. The House was a large, though not a crowded one, but what it lacked in numbers it made up in enthusiasm. So many bouquets and other floral tributes were given during the evening that one wondered if a flower famine was not imminent. The principal performers were recalled again and again to repeat favourite items and dances, "Soldiers in the Park" being encored no less than five times. On the fall of the curtain the whole Company was called to the front and the conductor was kept busy for some minutes in handing up such a mass of flowers that the stage looked like a flower show, after which were given "God Save the Queen," sung, followed by "God Save the Queen." It is a long time since a theatrical company has had such a send-off from Hongkong and it is very evident that everybody will be pleased to see Mr. Dallas and his talented Company once more. We are sure that our readers will join us in bidding them adieu.

A LADIES' PETITION.

The Hon. T. H. Whitehead presented the following petition at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council and gave notice that he would bring forward a motion concerning the appointment of a committee to enquire into the price of food stuff. The petition was signed by 152 ladies.

Hongkong, 13th March, 1900.

To the Honourable
The Legislative Council of Hongkong.

The humble Petition of the Undersigned sheweth:—

1.—That they desire most earnestly to call the attention of your Honourable Council to the continuous rise in the market prices of almost all the necessities of life, meat, fish, and garden produce. Hardly a month passes without an intimation being received from the Comproducers that from the beginning of the following month some increase in the cost of one article or another is to take effect. Beef is now 15 and 24 cents a lb. as compared with 12 and 18 cents two years ago. Mutton is 24 cents a lb. as compared with 18 cents at the same period. Suet is now 18 cents a lb. against 10 cents. Fish has risen from 16 cents to 18 and 20 cents per lb. in the same time.

2.—That a certain increase in price as compared with prices a few years ago was unavoidable, but the process is a continuous one and many of the more recent augmentations have been of such a character and made under such circumstances as to induce us to believe that they have been the result of combinations among the Comproducers.

3.—That in view of this apparently mischievous and causeless increase in the cost of living in the Colony, we most urgently request that instructions be given to institute a close inquiry into the causes of this rise and to devise means for putting a stop to any illegal combinations between the salesmen. We would also most respectfully suggest an inquiry into the incidence and operation of the licence fees, &c., now imposed upon boats, markets, &c., &c., with a view to their reduction to such figures as will simply cover the necessary cost to Government of supervising the public markets and registering the junks and men.

Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray that your Honourable Council take the necessary steps to meet their prayer, and your Petitioners will as in duty bound ever pray.

SANITARY BOARD.

The usual fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday afternoon. There were present:—Dr. J. Lawson (Vice President) occupied the chair. Mr. Badeley, Dr. Hartigan, Dr. Clark (Medical Officer of Health), Messrs. J. McKie, E. Osborne, Chan A. Fok, Fung Wa Chuen, and Mr. J. A. Woodcock (Acting Secretary).

FOOD STUFFS IN THE COLONY.

The Vice-President speaking on the adjourned consideration of Mr. Ladds' Colonial Veterinary Surgeon's report said that he had been asked to postpone its discussion for a fortnight as Mr. Ladds wished to make some alterations and corrections before it was adopted by the Board. He wished therefore that the discussion be postponed for a fortnight.

Dr. Clark seconded.

Dr. Hartigan said he did not wish to oppose the postponement but would like to speak on one subject, that was the food supply of the Colony. Mr. Ladds said that during the last five years the prices of food had risen 100 per cent. In the speaker's opinion the Government were partly to blame for this as they charged \$75, \$50 and \$70 a month for a stall in the market measuring six feet by three. This gave the stall holders a plausible excuse for raising their prices. The cost of the western market was about \$4,000 while the rents of stalls from it were \$24,000 per annum. The suggestion to pay for the market twice over, Mr. Ladds, in his report, said that there was a large unsatisfied demand for vegetable stalls in the market, while in another part of the report, he says, that owing to the overcrowded state of the market hawkers had greatly increased, and continues that they threw their vegetable refuse into the drains. He could vouch for the truth of this statement. It seemed to him that Government were giving these people an excuse by not providing them with suitable accommodation. Dr. Hartigan after recounting some other grievances complained of the little notice taken by the Government of the suggestions made by the Sanitary Board. He wished to propose that the attention of the Government be drawn to the greatly enhanced price of things and be asked to find a remedy for same.

Mr. Osborne in seconding said that the price of food stuffs was a most important subject especially to the poorer Chinese whom it was their business to protect. Dr. Hartigan had rightly laid great stress on the small results achieved by the Board. It seemed to him as if they were "continually fighting the air." They assembled and passed resolutions but for all the good it did they might just as well have stopped away.

The proposition was put to the meeting and carried.

PROSECUTIONS BY THE BOARD'S OFFICIALS.

The Vice-President, in the absence of the President, proposed:—That the Sanitary Board hereby depose, in accordance with sections 2 and 3 of Ordinance No. 6 of 1900, Inspector Lancelot Ernest Brett, Inspector John James McMichael, and Inspector Charles Walter Brett, to institute summary proceedings before a Magistrate against any person contravening any of the provisions of the Public Health Ordinance, No. 24 of 1887, or of any bye-law duly made under section 13 of such Ordinance, when so directed by the Medical Officer of Health.

Mr. Osborne seconded.

The Vice-President also moved that Mr. J. J. Bryant, Assistant Sanitary Surveyor, be deputed to institute similar proceedings with the consent of the Secretary of the Board.

Mr. Osborne seconded.

After some discussion it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. McKie, seconded by Mr. Fung Wa Chuen, that the motions should be altered to read:—That the Board be directed in writing by the Medical Officer of Health.

NOTICE TO OWNERS.

On the motion of Dr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Fung Wa Chuen, it was decided:—That advertisements be inserted in the English and Chinese newspapers calling the attention of owners of house-property in the colony to the requirements of section 7 of Ordinance 34 of 1889 with regard to the provision of backyards for all existing domestic buildings and to the fact that these backyards must be provided before the first day of June, 1900.

Mr. Osborne announced his intention of later on proposing a resolution to the effect that the provisions of this law be put into force very gradually and with as little hardship as possible to the affected.

UNION.

The next item on the agenda "A reply from the Government concerning the public unal-

particular regime, and particularly that kind of stock which was found in South Africa and had shown its virility in such a marked manner. The proceedings then terminated.

MISSIONS TO SEAMEN.

It may not be generally known that the Mission to Seamen in this port is part of a world-wide organization that has its headquarters in London.

It may not be generally known that the

SHIPPING REPORTS.

Capt. A. Symons, of the steamship *Parra-*
tapt, from Shanghai, reports:—On the 26th
it, at a.m., off Tung Ying Island, passed
and exchanged colours with one of H.M.'s
cruisers, steering to the N.E.; at 2 p.m.,
nearabout Island, passed and exchanged
colours with an American gunboat, steering to
the N.E.; also passed French mail, steering
E.; at 9 p.m., off Chapel Island, passed large
oil ship, supposed to be the German mail
ship, steering to the N.E.

Almas	Expend	

would direct the attention of shipping firms to the
in which "Steamers Expected" and "Passenger Callings"
now published in these columns, and in so doing request
the managers of shipping firms to give orders to
clients to furnish this office, on the forms already sup-
plied with the latest available information every day.

EXPLAINED IN FIVE MINUTES.

again. In youth nature puts forth every effort to build up your body. She absorbs everything she can lay hands on for that purpose. The whole body

Your appetite is gauged by the needs of growth—not by your ability to digest. So it comes to pass that, in no end of cases, young people eat too much; They eat wrong things, they eat without any thought of regularity. Hence insufficient gastric juice (digestive juice), stomach distention, and fermenta-

deposits so often found there. The end, sooner or later, is *consumption*. Over feeding, irregular feeding, or under feeding, all give rise to indigestion; and indigestion, is more than anything else, the cause of consumption, and of a lot of ailments which we suffer from besides.

before my eyes. I got very nervous and lost a deal of sleep, feeling no better for going to bed. Gradually I got weaker and weaker, and and so thin I was nothing but skin and bone. I got so weak I had to be lifted from the bed to a chair by the fire; and when I felt stronger I went about by the aid of a

myself improving; my appetite being better, and food agreeing with me. I had less sickness, and felt better altogether. Continuing with this medicine the pain and nervous feeling soon left me. Since then I have kept in good health, taking a dose or two when needed. I have told many persons of what Mother Seely's Serravallo's Tonic has done for me.

attendant prostration of the nervous system. Distinct lung disease might or might not have followed a little later. The point is this, and I want you not to miss it. Consumption arises from the introduction of foreign bodies into the lungs, which come oftener from the stomach than anywhere else in the

and death begins in the stomach. Keep it straight as long as you can with Mother Seigel's Syrup. That will do for now.—[Advt.]

quarters in London, and its branches in all the chief seaports at home, and also in many colonial and foreign ports. Its aim is, whilst ministering to seamen of all nationalities as far as it is possible, to carry the mission flag,—the flying angel with the Gospel in its outstretched hand—to every great port where the British flag is carried, whilst minis-

March 4th numbered 44, including two from plague, and the following week 53, including

vil influences that are brought to bear upon
eamen. At present this Society, like many
thers, is passing through a period of depres-
ion with respect to funds, owing no doubt to

application, the Board decided that each case would be considered on its merits.

teritories, on behalf of the Society, are to be preached at St. Peter's Church, West Point, on Sunday next, in the morning by the Chaplain, and in the evening by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese. The Society is at present about to increase its grant to Hongkong so as to make possible to have two ordained men engaged in the work in this port, instead of a Chinese

THE CHINA SUGAR REFINING
CO., LTD.

Captain Rolfe, R.N.R., of the steamship *Guensang*, from Manila, reports:—Moderate to fresh N.E. breeze, rough sea and cloudy.

Captain C. J. Mattock, of the steamship *Marat*, from Saigon, reports:—Light winds and fine weather to the Paracels, thence to port along monsoon and high sea.

Captain A. E. Hodgins, of the steamship *Atimpu*, from Swatow, reports:—Fresh N.E. winds, dark cloudy weather and rain. Vessels Swatow:—*Tientsin*, *Wuchang*, *Whampoa*, *Tsuisi*, and *Taichong*.

Capt. A. Symons, of the steamship *Paratatta*, from Shanghai, reports:—On the 28th inst., at 10 a.m., off Tung Ying Island, passed and exchanged colours with one of H.M.'s cruisers, steering to the N.E.; at 2 p.m., off Inabou Island, passed and exchanged colours with an American gunboat, steering to the N.E.; also passed French mail, steering E.N.E.; at 9 p.m., off Chapel Island, passed large oil ship, supposed to be the German mail ship, steering to the N.E.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

Names

NAME.	From.	Due.

Nuki Maru	Singapore	To-morrow
America Maru	Shanghai	April 2nd
Alfred Albert	Shanghai	April 3rd
Eastern	Port Darwin	April 3rd
Cyll	Singapore	April 4th
Ernst Heinrich	Singapore	April 5th
Th	Japan	April 5th
City of Peking	San Francisco	April 12th
Express of India	Vancouver	April 16th

San Francisco, April 20th

URGENT MANAGERS OF SHIPPING FIRMS TO GIVE ORDERS TO
CLERKS TO FURNISH THIS OFFICE, ON THE FORMS ALREADY SUP-
PLIED WITH THE LATEST AVAILABLE INFORMATION EVERY DAY.

EXPLAINED IN FIVE MINUTES.

Yes. Very good. Now see what a prodigious may be tied up in that idea. Youth is the sowing time of life, and maturity the reaping time. You agree to that. Very good gain. In youth nature puts forth every effort to

up your body. She works everything she can
hands on for that purpose. The whole body
with life as at no other time. Nature scrapes
her building material (I mean food) from every
ation. You know what eats healthy children
Nature is not thinking of the future. She is

our appetite is gauged by the needs of growth—by your ability to digest. So it comes to pass that in no end of cases, young people eat too much; they eat wrong things; they eat without any thought

regularity. Hence insufficient gastric juice, stomach distention, and fermentation. Bits (small bits, of course) of undigested food into the circulation, and through the right side as heart into the lungs, where they obstruct the minute blood vessels at the top of the lungs.

but then? Why, they finally become organized tubercle or changed into the chalky or cheesy bits so often found there. The end, sooner or later, is *consumption*. Over feeding, irregular feeding, or under feeding, all give rise to indigestion; indigestion, is more than anything else, the cause

For example, a woman says: "In the spring of 1881 I began to suffer from weakness. I had a bad cough, a sore in the mouth, and no desire for food. After a while I had pain at the chest and sides. Nothing

I ate only on my stomach, and for many weeks I
lost weight; I had a bad pain at the back
of my head; my sight was dim, and specks floated
before my eyes. I got very nervous and lost a deal
of sleep, feeling no better for going to bed. Grdn-
ing got weaker and weaker, and so I thin I was
losing but skin and bone. I got so weak I had to

I saw doctor after doctor and got medicine from dispensary, but nothing helped me. After two or three weeks I was suffering a lady who came to see me said she

been benefited by Mother Seigol's Syrup, and
one bottle. After taking it for a week I found
myself improving; my appetite being better, and food
agreeing with me. I had less sickness, and felt bet-
ter altogether. Continuing with this medicine the
acid and nervous feeling soon left me. Since then I
have been well.

kept in good health, taking a dose or two when
needed. I have told many persons of what Mother
Jel's Syrup did for me, and you can publish this
statement if you wish. (Signed) (Mrs) Hannah
Glas, Main Street, Portarlington, Queen's Co.,
Ireland, August 20th, 1895."

...and women do not have consumption of the
as commonly understood; she had something
eas had—consumption of the whole body with
ndant prostration of the nervous system. Distinct
disease might or might not have followed a
later. The point is this, and I want you not
miss it. Consumption arises from the introduc-

of foreign bodies into the lungs, which come
ner from the stomach than anywhere else, in the
I have described. Hence dyspepsia causes it
dyspepsia causes wasting (as in this instance)
matism, bronchitis, gout, impure blood, thin
l, skin eruptions, and a hundred aches and com-

ing from top to toe. As I have said times beyond times I say again—life begins, life is nourished, death begins in the stomach. Keep it straight long as you can with Mother Bulgel's Syrup, —will do for now.—[Adet.

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Intimations.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

SIXTH ATHLETIC SPORTS.

BY Permission of H.E. the GOVERNOR the above Sports will be held at the HAPPY VALLEY, TO-MORROW, the 31st March, 1900.

The Committee of the Victoria Recreation Club cordially invite the Ladies of Hongkong to the Athletic Sports to be held on the HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB GROUND, on SATURDAY, the 31st March.

1st RACE, 1 P.M. SHARP.
W. MACHILL,
Hon. Secretary.

SANITARY BOARD.

OWNERS of HOUSES situated in the Central Division of the City of Victoria, and in the Western Division of Kowloon, who have not had their Premises LIMEWASHED and CLEANSED in accordance with Law, are reminded that the period during which the work should be finished ends on the 30th day of April, 1900, and the Sanitary Board being convinced of the necessity of Cleanliness in its efforts to Stamp out Plague, is determined to rigorously prosecute any owner in default after the above-named Date.

The Central Division of the City lies between Garden Road on the East, and Morrison Street and East Street on the West. The Western Division of Kowloon is all that part of the Kowloon Peninsula to the West of Robinson Road, and includes Tsui Sha Tsui, Yau Ma Tei, Mong Kok Tsui, Tai Kok Tsui and Sham Shui Po.

By Order of the Sanitary Board,
C. W. DUGGAN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1900. [310b]

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that SCRIP NUMBER 240 for 15 SHARES of the Company, numbered 2894/2898, in the name of PAUL JORDAN, Esquire, of Hongkong, having been LOST, a New Scrip for the same will be issued after one month from the Date hereof, and the Original Scrip will be considered by the Company as Null and Void, and all persons are hereby warned against accepting or negotiating same.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1900. [409b]

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SECOND INSTALLMENT of \$5 per Share in respect of the \$50,000 New Shares has been called up and Holders of such Shares who have not already paid this Installment are requested to PAY the Amount of such CALL to the Undersigned at the Office of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central, on or before the 30th April, 1900.

Dated the 27th March, 1900.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a Meeting of the Board of Directors of the above Company, held at the Registered Office of the Company, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on Tuesday, the Twenty-Seventh day of March, 1900, the following RESOLUTION were passed:

- That in pursuance of the Provisions of the Special Resolution passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 27th March instant, and since duly registered, the Sum of \$125,000 be withdrawn from the Reserved Fund and be carried as of the 2nd July next, to the Credit of Capital Account, each Share being credited with a Sum of \$25 as per share thereon, in addition to the Sum of \$50 now standing to the credit of each Share.
- That the Balance of \$25 per Share of the Unpaid Capital of the Company be called up, and that a CALL be and is hereby made of \$25 per Share upon all Shares of the Company, and that the Shareholders be requested to pay the same to the Company's Bankers, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at their Premises, Queen's Road Central, on or before the 2nd day of July, A.D. 1900.

Shareholders are hereby requested to pay according.

And Notice is also given that, in accordance with Article 34 of the Company's Articles of Association, interest will be charged as from the said 2nd day of July, 1900, at the Rate of \$14 per cent. per Annum, upon all Calls remaining Unpaid after the 9th day of July, 1900, up to the actual dates of payment of the same.

By Order of the Board,
A. SHEPHERD HOOPER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1900. [403b]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE OFFICES of this Company have this Day been TRANSFERRED from No. 7, PRAYA CENTRAL to PRINCE'S BUILDING (1st Floor), CHATER ROAD.

JIRO ITAMI,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1900. [392b]

WANTED.

A COPY of the Local "HANSARD," 1891-2.

Address:—
J. J. F.
Office of this Paper.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1900.

Notice of Firms.

P. & O. S. N. CO.

NOTICE.

DURING my ABSENCE from the Colony Mr. A. M. MARSHALL will be in charge of the Company's Affairs at this Agency.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1900. [395b]

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

DURING the TEMPORARY ABSENCE of Sir THOMAS JACKSON from Hongkong, Mr. H. M. BEVIS has been appointed ACTING CHIEF MANAGER.

N. A. SIEBS,
Chairman,
Board of Directors.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1900. [402b]

Entertainment.

MR. ALEC MARSH.

(Late Principal Baritone of the ROYAL ITALIAN OPERA CO., THE ROYAL ROYAL CHORAL SOCIETY, and the Principal London and Provincial Concerts.)

begs to announce that he will give a GRAND EVENING.

CONCERT.

Under the Patronage of His Excellency Sir HENRY BLAKE, G.C.M.G., and Lady BLAKE;
H.E. Major General GASCOIGNE, and Mrs. GASCOIGNE.

TUESDAY, the 3rd April, 1900,
at 9 P.M.,
in the

ST. GEORGE'S HALL.

Mr. MARSH will have the kind Assistance of Mrs. LOWSON, Mrs. BADELEY, Mr. G. P. LAMBERT, Mr. F. SIEBS, Mr. J. SIEBS, and Mr. A. G. AWARD.

PRICES \$1 & \$1

Box Plan and Tickets at the, ROBINSON PIANO CO.

Further Particulars Later. [396b]

Hongkong, 30th March, 1900.

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. CO.'s Steamship

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From Italy, ex S.S. *Thames*,
From Madras, ex S.S. *Lauda*.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 1st April, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be considered.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1900. [3]

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship "COPTIC."

The above Steamship having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

C. L. GORHAM,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1900. [2]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM MIDDLESBROUGH, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"GLENFARG,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 3rd April, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

All ship damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Co. within ten days of steamer's arrival, after which no claims will be recognised.

MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1900. [401b]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. CO.'s Steamship

"BENGAL,"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From London, ex S.S. *Australia* and *Egypt*,
From Australia, ex S.S. *Oceana*,
From Persian Gulf, ex S.S. *Pachumbra*.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 5 P.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 6th April, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 29th March, 1900. [5]

Insurance.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

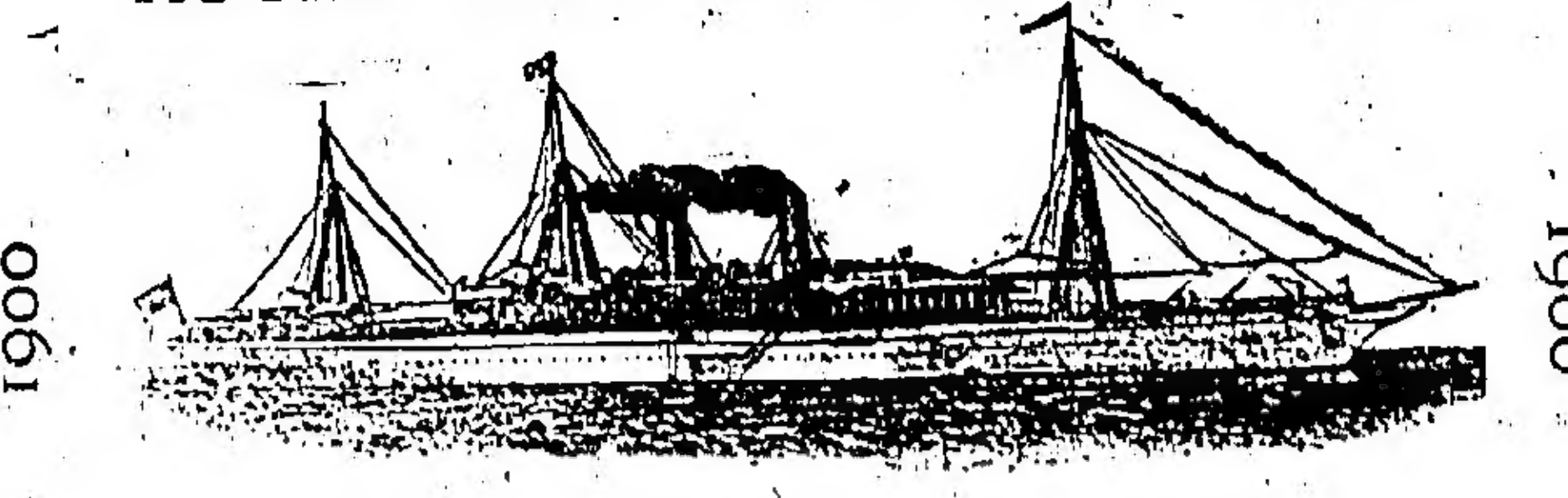
THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [30]

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.



SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA, B.C.)
Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R. ...WEDNESDAY, 4th April.

EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R. ...WEDNESDAY, 25th April.

EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R. ...WEDNESDAY, 16th May.

THE magnificent Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets at various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.

For further information, Maps, Guide, Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Paddy's Street. [3]

Hongkong, 14th March, 1900.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.

SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA, IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

Albatross... 2,837 | J. Trubridge | Mar. 31

Sikh... 2,747 | J. Rowley | April 14

Glenage... 3,750 | W. Frakes | April 24

Queen Adelaide... 2,832 | F. McNair | May 5

ALSO FOR PORTLAND, OREGON, IN CONNECTION WITH OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Monmouth... 2,874 | W.A. Evans | May 19

Bracear... 3,601 | W. Watt | June 9

Monmouthshire... 2,874 | W.A. Evans | Aug. 4

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by the Line HONGKONG TO LONDON £47.

Excellent accommodation. First-class Tables. DOCTOR and STEWARDSS carried.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK £41.

The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA £28.

Rates of Passage to other points on application. Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points; and to Canadian and United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in quadruplicate, and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the Freight Agent, Tacoma, Wash., or Portland, Or. (whichever may be the destination of the Steamer).

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information apply to DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1900. [4]

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHESON TOPEKA & SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO AND SAN FRANCISCO, VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

Taking Cargo and Passengers to JAPAN PORTS, and HONOLULU, THE UNITED STATES, &c.

Ensign... 3,177 | on | April 12

Carlisle City... 3,002 | about | April 30

Strathgyle... 5,023 | about | May 10

Belgian King... 3,379 | about | June 5

Thyra... 3,812 | about | July 8

THE Steamship

"ENERGIA,"

will be despatched for SAN DIEGO and SAN FRANCISCO, VIA KOBE, YOKOHAMA & HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 12th April.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel packages will be received at the OFFICE until the same time. All parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required.

Consular Invoices, to accompany cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, China and Japan.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1900. [28]

Mails.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS. DESTINATIONS. SAILING DATES.

KAWACHI MARU... { MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID..... } FRIDAY, 13th April, at Daylight.

*KINSHU MARU... { VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, U.S.A., VIA SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA..... } THURSDAY, 19th April, at 4 P.M.

*Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers.

For further Information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office at No. 7, Praya Central.

A. S. MIHARA,
Manager.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1900. [6]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

(Freight Service.)

(Taking Cargo at through Rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE; BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS; NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.)

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS. DESTINATIONS. SAILING DATES.

SAXONIA... HAVRE and HAMBURG. About 3rd April. Freight.

*HEIDELBERG... (LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG) HAVRE and HAMBURG. About 10th April. Freight and Passage.

Zachariae... (LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG) HAVRE and HAMBURG. About 20th April. Freight and Passage.

*SIBIRIA... (LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG) HAVRE and HAMBURG. About 30th April. Freight.

SERBIA... (LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG) HAVRE and HAMBURG. About 30th April. Freight.

*These Steamers have Superior Accommodation for Passengers and carry a Doctor and Stewardess.

For further Particulars as to Freight, Passage, &c., apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO, VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

AMERICA MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Saturday, 14th April, at Noon.

HONGKONG MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Tuesday, 8th May, at Noon.

NIPPON MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Thursday, 31st May, at Noon.

THE Steamship

"AMERICA MARU,"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 14th April, at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European Officials in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San

WAR NEWS BY WIRE.

[From Our Exchanges.]

Kruger under Fire.

CALCUTTA, March 12th.

During the recent operations in the Free State, and the rout of the Boers near Poplar's Grove, President Kruger was present. He strove by every means in his power to rally and stop the flight of the Boers, but utterly failed, the Free Staters particularly being thoroughly demoralized and disheartened.

Peace overtures.

A telegram received dated March 11th, says that reports continue to come in regarding the wish of the enemy to make peace.

The *Central News* says definitely that the two Presidents have sent no less than five telegrams asking for our terms.

The telegrams were discussed at the Cabinet Meeting on Wednesday.

It is believed that our reply was uncompromising.

LONDON, March 11th.

The rumour that the Presidents of the South African Republics are suing for peace is gaining ground, and some papers make definite assertions on the point.

The *Daily Mail* states that the plain uncompromising statement of the British intentions reveals that the basis of negotiations made the independence of the two Republics imperative.

LONDON, March 12th.

The *Standard* states that Government will shortly affirm the impossibility of a perpetual recognition of independence of the Transvaal and Free State, as it was that condition which led to the war.

There now appears to be a deadlock in the negotiations, and the war will continue, unless Presidents Kruger and Steyn find that public opinion in both the Transvaal and the Free State is too strong to resist.

It is stated that the Boers, especially of the older generation are anxious for peace at any price, and many are already returning to their farms.

The *Times* correspondent, writing from Poplar's Grove, says that the submission of the Free State is expected within a week.

Preparing for the End.

The *Daily Telegraph's* correspondent at Cape Town wires that the Boers are sending enormous supplies to Spokenon, on the extreme north of the frontier, to put General Joubert's army in readiness for a final stand.

Alleged capture of Mafeking Forts.

The Boers claim that they have captured all the outside forts defending Mafeking except one, and regarding that, the capitulation of the garrison is hourly expected.

No news has yet been received of the force which left Kimberley to relieve Mafeking.

The Presidents Confer.

Presidents Kruger and Steyn conferred on Monday, and, on arriving at a conclusion, telegraphed their terms to Lord Salisbury, and it is stated they received a reply that the terms proposed were impossible.

General Joubert Resigns.

It is reported from Cape Town that General Joubert has resigned the chief command of the Boer Army, and has been succeeded by General Botha. No reason is assigned for the step, but it is believed that the Boers have quite lost confidence in the old leader's ability to successfully oppose the progress of Lord Roberts.

Another version is that General Joubert and President Kruger have quarrelled as to the proper conduct of the campaign.

Independence Impossible.

The *Standard* states the Home Government will shortly affirm the impossibility of the perpetuation of the independence of the Transvaal and the Free State, as it was that condition which led to the war.

It is reported at Cape Town that General Joubert has resigned the command to Commandant Botha, General Joubert and President Kruger having quarrelled over the conduct of the war.

White Flag Treachery.

Lord Roberts and several members of his staff witnessed on Sunday a gross abuse of the white flag and the treachery of the enemy. A large force of Boers was in imminent peril of being annihilated, when they hoisted the white flag, and the British advanced to receive their surrender, whereupon another section fired repeated volleys into our men.

Lord Roberts has sent a strong protest to President Kruger and President Steyn, against such dastardly conduct, threatening to disregard the white flag in future. He has also requested the British Government to communicate his protest to the neutral Powers.

Boer Mobility.

The enemy's mobility and adroit and skilful moving of their guns were most remarkable on Saturday, and defeated the strategy of Lord Roberts. He attempted to turn their flank, but the movement began too late and our ammunition ran short. The consequence was that the enemy escaped complete annihilation.

Mediation Asked.

LONDON, March 13th.

It seems clear that the Boers have addressed appeals for help not only to Germany, but to the whole Continent and America.

The news has excited a strong feeling in England, though no foreign country has yet shown any inclination to help the enemy.

The *Times*, in the course of a strong leader on the subject, says: "We are glad that America and the Continent understand that offers of mediation would be distinctly repugnant to, and wholly inadmissible by, the nation. We mean to settle this business in our own way."

Canada and the War.

LONDON, March 14th.

Perhaps the most important debate that has ever taken place in the Canadian House of Commons was that on the participation of the Dominion in the war in South Africa. The enthusiasm was immense.

The Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Premier, was cheered to the echo when he rose to defend the action of the Government in sending Canadian troops to assist the Mother Country in repelling the Boer invasion. In a speech of passionate eloquence, Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that the gallant deeds of the Canadians at Paardeberg, when they charged the jagged in which General Cronje was entrenched, and compelled to surrender his army, revealed to the West that which would make itself felt in the future history of the world, and the Dominion.

The House of Commons, in a memorable burst of enthusiasm, voted in confidence in the Government, and approved the participation of Canada in the war. There were only ten dissenting members.

The Seizure of German Vessels.

The papers which have been published regarding the seizure of German vessels by British men-of-war, on suspicion of importing contraband of war to Delagoa Bay, show that Lord Salisbury, in reply to Count Von Buelow, expressed surprise at the abrupt manner and unfounded imputations contained in the protests.

The publication of these State documents has excited considerable feeling in the country, and *The Times* states that the correspondence throws light on the brutality of the German Press, and the insults to which English visitors have recently been subject at Dresden.

Germany's Reason for Non-Intervention.

The German Government denies the statement that it declined to intervene between Great Britain and the South African Republics because it was in nowise concerned in the conflict.

The reason for its rejection of the appeal of Presidents Kruger and Steyn is not, however, given.

The Boer Presidents' Appeal.

LONDON, March 14th.

The appeal of the Boer Presidents is an unctuous and insolent document. It reiterates the incontestable independence of both Republics as Sovereign States. It demands an amnesty for all participants in the war. Otherwise, it proceeds, "we will persevere, confident in God, who lighted the inextinguishable love of freedom in our hearts. We will accomplish His work in us. We hesitated so long as the advantage was on our side, fearing to hurt the feeling of the British, but now that British prestige is assured by the capture of our forces, we are obliged to inform the world of the conditions whereon we are ready to restore peace."

The Premier's Reply.

Lord Salisbury, in reply, ignores the allusion to amnesty. He insists that the war preparations in the Transvaal during the peaceful negotiations concerning the secession grievances of British residents were so enormous that the only possible intention must have been to use them against Britain. Suddenly, after an insulting ultimatum, the Republic declared war, and it was joined by the Orange Free State, wherewith there had never been any discussion. Our penalty for acquiescing in the existence of the Republics has been the invasion of two British Colonies, great destruction of life and property, and a costly war entailing the loss of thousands of lives resulting therefrom. The British Government are not prepared to assent to the independence of either Republic.

This reply was read in Parliament amid unbounded applause, but the conclusion is generally regarded as short of the mark.

General White.

General White is apparently going to East London, joining the Fifth Division. His reception at Maritzburg, though informal, was enthusiastic. He is described as lame and feeble. He probably is unaware how home opinion has entirely turned in his favour.

Lord Kitchener's Movements.

Lord Kitchener's arrival at Victoria West is impressing the rebels, despite disagreeable incidents.

Bloemfontein-Pretoria Route.

An officer recently returned describes the Bloemfontein route to Pretoria as indefensible, the railway being straight and devoid of all cuttings and embankments.

NOTANDA.

CALENDAR.

MARCH.

Meteorological means based on ten years' observations to 1899.

Barometer 30.141

Thermometer 57.3

Humidity 79.0

Rainfall 1.76

TO-DAY.

WEATHER REPORT.

On date at 10 a.m. On date at 4 p.m.

Barometer 30.11 29.98

Temperature 61 65

Humidity 90 90

Rainfall 0.14

TO-DAY.

Friday, 30th March, 1900.

Chinese—30th of 2nd moon of 26th year of Kwang-si.

Sun—Rises 5hr. 50min.

Sets 5hr. 19min.

Noon—In Perigee 6hr. a.m.

High water—Morning 4hr. 45min.

Afternoon 10hr. 25min.

Low water—Morning 3hr. 35min.

Afternoon 4hr. 45min.

ANNIVERSARIES.

1814—British troops entered Paris.

1850—Peace with Russia.

1874—Abolition of coolie trade at Macao.

1883—Inauguration of New British Consulate Shanghai.

1896—The Japanese flag hoisted over new settlement at Sochoo.

1899—The S.W.R. steamer *Stella* struck the Casquet rocks, 80 drowned.

TO-MORROW.

Saturday, 31st March, 1900.

Chinese—1st of 3rd moon of 26th year of Kwang-si.

Sun—Rises 5hr. 55min.

Sets 5hr. 14min.

Noon—New Moon 3hr. 20min. a.m.

High water—Morning 10hr. 33min.

Afternoon 10hr. 57min.

Low water—Morning 4hr. 24min.

Afternoon 4hr. 41min.

ANNIVERSARIES.

1806—Slave Trade abolished.

1874—Coolie traffic abolished.

1890—Arrival of Duke and Duchess of Connaught at Hongkong.

1896—Li Hung Chang refused to land at Hongkong. Two European children developed symptoms of plague.

1898—H.M.S. *Victorious* arrives in Hongkong. Admiralty Commission a Particular Squadron of eight ships.

1899—England, Germany and America agree to settle Samoan affairs with Sweden as umpire.

AGENDA.

TO-DAY.

Cargo ex *Weimar* subject to rent.

TO-MORROW.

Noon—11th Ordinary Annual Meeting of shareholders of the Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.

Noon—His Excellency the Governor will meet the subscribers to the South African Fund in the Council Chamber.

Noon—P. & O. S. N. Co's steamer *Parramatta* leaves for London &c.

12.30 p.m.—18th Ordinary Annual Meeting of shareholders of the Luxon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.

1 p.m.—The Victoria Recreation Club's Sixth Athletic Sports.

C. and O. S. Co's steamer *Lady Joliffe* leaves for San Diego and San Francisco.(About) N. P. S. Co's *Olympia* leaves for Victoria B. C., and Tacoma.

SUNDAY, 1st APRIL.

4 p.m.—Cargo ex *Malacca* subject to rent.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE.

American (*America*) and prox.Australia (*Eastern*) 3rd prox.German (*König Albert*) 3rd prox.German (*Prinz Heinrich*) 3rd prox.Tacoma (*Sikh*) 5th prox.American (*City of Peking*) 12th prox.Canadian (*Empress of India*) 16th prox.American (*Gulf*) 20th prox.The N. P. S. Co's steamer *Abercrombie*, sailed from Portland Oregon for Japan and Hongkong on the 28th inst.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.

Isle of Cuba at Kowloon Dock.

H.M.S. *Albatross* " "H.M.S. *Waterwitch* " "H.M.S. *Aurora* " "U.S.S. *Monadnock* " "

Taisan " "

Samsui " "

Changshun " "

Cosmopolitan " "

Peking " "

Hong Kong Aberdeen

PASSED THE CANAL.

Outward—20th March—*Andalusia*, *Cowrie*.23rd March—*Canton*, *Ardenburg*, *Dresden*.27th Mar.—*Annam*, *Tanahmas*, *Shanghai*.28th Mar.—*Trieste*, *Benhar*, *Oceanic*, *Alexander*.Homeward March—*Oldenburg*, 27th March—*Vakama* Maru.

Shipping.

Arrivals.

PARRAMATTA, British steamer, 2,834 A.

Symons, 29th Mar.—Shanghai 27th Mar.

Mails and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

BENGAL, British steamer, 2,751 S. Bareham,

29th Mar.—Bombay 14th Mar., and Singapore

24th Mails and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

AMAKA, British steamer, 1,523 J. C. Matlock,

29th Mar.—Saigon 25th Mar. Rice and

Rubbish—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HAIMUN, British steamer, 636 A. E. Hodgins,

30th Mar.—Swatow 29th Mar., General—

Douglas, Laprak & Co.

TAIWAN MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,842 H.

Mikuni, 30th Mar.—Kamatsu 23rd Mar.

Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

YUNESANG, British steamer, 1,128 P. H. Rolfe,

R.N.R., 30th Mar.—Manila 27th Mar.,

General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CARLO ALBERTO, Italian cruiser, 7,200 R.

Cali, 30th Mar.—Kobe 25th March.

DAPHNE, British gunboat, 1,140 Ingram, 30th

Mar.—Shanghai 24th March.

GLENNALLOCH, British steamer, 1,434 H.

Peters, 30th Mar.—Penang and Singapore

23rd Mar., General—Joo Teck Seng.

LIGHTNING, British steamer, 2,122 J. G.

Spence, 30th Mar.—Calcutta 10th Mar.,

Penang and Singapore 24th, General—

David, Sassoon Sons & Co.

ASTORIA, German steamer, 3,319 Hildebrandt,

30th Mar.—Amoy 29th Mar., General—

Carlowitz & Co.

LADY JOCKEY, British steamer, 2,046 J. Cook,

30th Mar.—San Diego 15th Feb., General.

Butterfield & Swire.

GEO. T. HAY, British ship, 1,647 Spicer, 30th

Mar.—Manila, (P. L.) Mar., Ballant.

Siemssen & Co.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Hiroshima Maru, Japanese str., for Singapore.*Kongani*, British str., for Canton.*Else*, German str., for Chefoo.*Benoku Maru*, Japanese str., for Hongay.*Changshun*, British str., for Swatow.*Haiting*, French str., for Haiphong.*Futami Maru*, Japanese str., for Manila.*Glenfalloch*, British str., for Amoy.*Apernau*, German str., for Haiphong.

Departures.

Mar. 30, *Haiting*, British str., for Swatow.Mar. 30, *Saint Regulus*, British str., for Japan.Mar. 30, *Thurs Maru*, Japanese str., for Saigon.Mar. 30, *Apennine*, German str., for Haiphong.Mar. 30, *Changshun*, British str., for Bangkok.Mar. 30, *Haiting*, French str., for Haiphong.Mar. 30, *Hiroshima Maru*, Japanese str., for

Singapore.

Mar. 30, *Bangkok Maru*, Japanese str., for

Hongay.

Mar. 30, *Futami Maru*, Japanese steamer, for

Australian Ports.

Passengers—Arrived.

Per *Annam*, from Saigon—53 Chinese.Per *Haiting*, from Swatow—Dr. and Mrs.

Cable, Miss C. F. Koo, and Mr. Heng Ze

Eng.

Per *Yuenang*, from Manila—Messrs. Beers,

Clarke, Paridant, Rebarber, Rev. Wm. R.,

and Mrs. Gouzeley, Tom Chi Siang, Aure,

Spencer, Haas, Pluetza, Ramjohn, Davies, Mr.

and Mrs. Ferras and daughter, Piu, Jesus, Fix,

and 34 Chinese.

Per *Parramatta*, from Shanghai for Hong-

kong—Dr. Sibbald, Mr. and Mrs. J. Fearon,

Mr. F. Newton, Mrs. Gardner Hill, Major Mc-

Donald, Messrs. Sak Lim, Jebson, and 1 Chinese.

Per *Marcelles*, from Rome—Cristi, For

London via Marcellas—Mrs. Anderson, infant

and amah, and Mr. Clifton. For London—Mr.

and Mrs. Lavers, infant and amah, Mr. H. Bell,

Dr. and Mrs. McLeod, Misses A. McLeod (2),

Mr. J. Peterson, Miss M. Fearon, Rev. and

Mrs. Phelps, Masters (2) and Miss Phelps, 2

infants and amah, Mr. Daniel, Dr. Robertson,

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European nurse, Mr. and Mrs. Morse, Rev. and

Mrs. Adams, Masters Adams (4), Miss Hocking,

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Miss A. Gilbert and governess, Miss M. Swan-

son, Comdr. H. Booth, Miss M. Barracough,

Mr. and Mrs. Witzel and child.

Per *Bengal*, for Hongkong from Bombay—

Messrs. S. R. Bomanjee, C. Streetfield, Miss

Streetfield, and Mr. Rahim. From Colombo—

Mr. E. D. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Bond,

From London—Mr. and Mrs. Moore and 2

children, Miss Parkhill, Messrs. G. Hooper, J.

McGlashan, Chin Chin and servant, and H. S.

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(March 30th.)

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The Bank of China & Japan, Limited	£ 5	Nominal
The Bank of China & Japan, Limited (Preference)	£ 4	£1 buyers
The Bank of China & Japan, Limited (Ordinary)	£ 4	£1 buyers
National Bank of China, Ltd.	£ 8	£2 1/2
Do. Founders.	£ 1	£2 1/2
Marine Insurance.		
Union Ins. Society of Canton, Ltd.	\$ 50	\$235
China Traders' Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	\$54
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	£ 25	Tls. 170
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	£ 60	\$132
Canton Ins. Office, Ltd.	\$ 50	\$130
Straits Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$1
Fire Insurance.		
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$300
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$80
Shipping.		
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Limited	\$ 15	\$30
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	£ 10	\$91
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$105 ex div.
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$51
China Mutual S. S. Co., Ltd. (Pref.)	£ 10	£10.10 buyers
China Mutual S. S. Co., Ltd. (Ord.)	£ 10	£10.10
China Mutual S. S. Co., Ltd. (Ord.)	£ 5	£5
Star Ferry Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$181
"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	£ 100	£260
Refineries.		
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$130 ex div.
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$47
Mining.		
Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.	\$ 7	\$8.
Punjom Mining Preference Shares	\$ 1	\$1.40.
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	Fcs. 250	\$350
Queen Mines, Ltd.	25 cts.	\$0.25
Jebebin Mining and Trading Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	\$13
Raub Allain Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	155, 10d.	\$60
Oliver, F. & Co. Ltd.	\$ 5	\$5.71
Oliver, Freehold Mines, Ltd.	\$ 4	\$4.80
Great Eastern & Caledonian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	\$0.80
Do. (Preference)	\$ 1	\$0.40
Docks, Wharves and Godowns.		
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$125	\$171 1/2 prem.
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$83
Wanchai Warehouse & Storage Co., Ltd.	\$ 37 1/2	\$46
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 64	\$204
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.		
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$9.60
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$127
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 30	\$36
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$49
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$122 ex div.
Humphrey's Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$9.60
Cotton Mills.		
Hongkong Cotton Spinning & Dyeing Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$100
Ewo Cotton Spinning & W. Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 70
International Cotton Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 73
Lau-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 71
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls. 500	Tls. 400
Yahloong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 57
Miscellaneous.		
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$104
China-Borneo Co., Ltd.	\$ 15	\$171
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	\$ 10	\$164
Watkins, Limited	\$ 10	\$10.70
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	\$ 10	\$12.50
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	\$ 2	\$20.5
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Ltd.	£ 10	\$135
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$325
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	\$48
H'kong Ice Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	\$104
H'kong High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$160
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	\$ 6	\$6
Hongkong and China Bakery Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$50 ex div.
Campbell, Moore and Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$16
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United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	\$ 10	\$11
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VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.
CHOYSHAN, British steamer, 1,940, G. H. Bowker, 28th Mar., Shanghai 23rd Mar. and Swatow 27th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
CHWNSHAN, British steamer, 1,281, J. F. Messer, 23rd Mar., Koi-si-chang 15th Mar., Rice.—Bradley & Co.
CITY OF LONDON, British steamer, 2,050, Scroff, 2nd Mar., Saigon 17th March, Rice.—Dodwell & Co., Ltd.
COPTIC, British steamer, 2,744, J. C. Rinder, R.N.R., 27th Mar., San Francisco 27th Feb. and Shanghai 25th Mar., Mails and General.—O. & S. S. Co.
DECIMA, German steamer, 605, C. Christiansen, 27th Mar., Saigon 22nd Mar., Rice.—Siemssen & Co.
ELSE, German steamer, 903, T. Petersen, 25th Mar., Saigon 17th Mar., Rice.—Siemssen & Co.
EMPRESS OF CHINA, British steamer, 3,003, R. Archibald, R.N.R., 21st Mar., Vancouver, B.C. 27th Feb. and Shanghai 18th Mar., Mails and General.—C. P. R. Co.
GLENFAR, British steamer, 2,350, F. Selby, 27th Mar., London 3rd Feb. and Singapore 21st Mar., General.—McGregor Bros. & Gow.
HAILAN, French steamer, 377, Pannier, 28th Mar., Pakhoi and Hoihow 27th March, General.—A. R. Marty.
JACOB DIEDERICHSEN, German steamer, 632, J. Bruhn, 17th March, Haiphong and Hoihow 16th Mar., Rice.—Jensen & Co.
KOREA, Russian steamer, 4,000, Beranin, 26th Mar., Singapore 20th Mar., General.—Melchers & Co.
MAIDBURG, Japanese steamer, 667, T. Ogata, 28th Mar., Swatow 27th Mar., General.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
MENMUI, British steamer, 1,287, R. W. Almond, 20th Mar., Manila 26th March, General.—Shewan, Tomes & Co.
OLYMPIA, American steamer, 1,730, J. Truebridge, 23rd Mar., Tacoma, U.S.A. 23rd Mar., General.—Dodwell & Co., Ltd.
PEIVANG, German steamer, 953, R. Köhler, 9th Mar., Saigon 5th Mar., Rice and Riefler.—A. R. Marty.
PHRA CHOM KLAO, British steamer, 1,011, J. Fowler, 27th Mar., Bangkok 17th Mar. and Koh-si-chang 18th Mar., Rice & Butterfield & Swire.
PHRA CHULIA CHOM KLAO, British steamer, 1,012, E. E. McEllen, 29th March, Bangkok 21st Mar., Rice and General.—Butterfield & Swire.
PROBANTIS, British ship, 1,390, W. Mackay, 25th Feb., Saigon 20th Feb., Rice.—Heung Sing Steamship Co.
ROSETTA, British steamer, 2,039, C. C. Talbot, R.N.R., 28th Mar., Yokohama 21st Mar., Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
SABINE RICKMERS, British steamer, 500, N. N. R., 23rd Mar., Tamsui 21st Mar., General.—Arnold, Karberg & Co.
TAIWAN, British steamer, 1,459, R. Nelson, 26th Mar., Melbourne 13th Feb., Sydney 27th, Townsville 3rd Mar., Thursday Island 8th, Port Darwin 11th, and Manila 23rd, General.—Butterfield & Swire.
TATEGAMI, Japanese steamer, 1,073, M. Torne, 27th Mar., Moji 22nd Mar., Coal.—Jeffries.
TOYO MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,548, K. Sakai, 21st Mar., Saigon 16th Mar., Rice and Rice-Flour.—Dodwell & Co., Ltd.
TRITOS, German steamer, 1,033, P. Lassen, 26th Mar., Saigon 21st Mar., Rice.—Siemssen & Co.
VICTORIA, Swedish steamer, 825, Hillberg, 26th Mar., Cardiff 4th Feb. and Singapore 19th Mar., Coal.—Haring, Buschmann & Menzell.

Sailing Vessels.

DIRIGO, American ship, 2,845, Goodwin, 21st Mar., New York 29th Oct., Kerosine.—Standard Oil Co.
EVIE J. RAY, American bark, 919, Kaslen, 11th Mar., Singapore 22nd Dec., Timber.—Sander, Wieler & Co.
IRIS, British bark, 206, W. Wright, 26th Mar., Fremantle 23rd Jan., Sandal Wood.—Sander, Wieler & Co.
JOHN CURRIER, American ship, 1,848, Lawrence, 11th Mar., New York 14th Sept., Kerosine.—Standard Oil Co.
MOBILE BAY, British bark, 1,171, James A. Boyd, 18th Mar., Hongkong 6th Mar., Coal.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
VALE OF DOON, British bark, 789, Peterson, 21st Mar., Rajang 23rd Feb., Timber.—Order.
WARATAH, British schooner, 25, Haynes, 23rd Sept., Takow 15th Sept., Ballast.—Mr. F. W. Hall.
WM. H. SMITH, American ship, 1,300, E. C. Colley, 27th Mar., New York 28th Sept., Kerosine Oil.—Standard Oil Co.

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ON THE CHINA STATION.

Hongkong, March 30th, 1900.
Albatross, despatch vessel, 1,700 tons, to 6 p.m. 4 p.m. 3,000 h.p., Commander A. H. Smith-Dorrien, Hongkong.
Albatross, sloop, 1,050 tons, 6 guns, 1,100 h.p., Comdr. E. J. W. Slade, Hongkong.
Aurora, British cruiser, 5,600 tons, Capt. E. H. Bayly, Hongkong.
Barfleur, 1st class battleship, 13,000 tons, 14 guns, 13,163 h.p., Captain Hon. S. C. J. Colville, C.B., Wei-hai-wei.
Nonpareil, 2nd class cruiser, 4,360 tons, 18 guns, 9,000 h.p., Capt. R. H. J. Montgomerie, E.D., R.N., Hongkong.
Britia, British cruiser, 1,770 tons, 6 guns, 5,000 h.p., Capt. R. B. W. Wray, Shanghai.
Centurion, British flagship, 10,500 tons, 14 guns, 9,000 h.p., Capt. J. R. Jellicoe, Hongkong.
Dolphin, sloop, 1,140 tons, 8 guns, 2,000 h.p., Com. C. Winnington-Ingram, Hongkong.
Endymion, British cruiser, 7,650 tons, Capt. G. A. Callaghan, Wei-hai-wei.
Ex, coast defence gunboat, 363 tons, 3 guns, 300 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. C. Chadwick, Ichang.

Fama, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 5,400 h.p., Lieut.-Com. W. J. Keyes, Hongkong.
Firebrand, 3rd class gunboat, 455 tons, 4 guns, 360 h.p., Hongkong.
Handy, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 260 tons, 6 guns, 4,000 h.p., Hongkong.
Hart, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 260 tons, 6 guns, 4,000 h.p., Hongkong.
Hermione, British cruiser, 4,360 tons, Capt. R. S. D. Cunningham, Shanghai.
Humbler, storeship, 1,640 tons, 800 h.p., Com. H. J. Davison, Hongkong.
Iphigenia, 2nd class cruiser, 3,600 tons, 8 guns, 7,000 h.p., Capt. H. N. Dudding, Singapore.
Linnæ, gun-vessel, 756 tons, 2 heavy guns, 4 6-pounders, 870 h.p., Commander W. W. Smythe, Wuchow.
Orlando, British cruiser, 5,600 tons, Capt. J. H. Burke, Manila.
Peach, 1st class gunboat, 775 tons, 6 guns, 200 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. S. G. Douglas, Shanghai.
Phaenix, British gunboat, 1,015 tons, Comdr. Cochran, Hongkong.
Pigmy, 1st class gunboat, 750 tons, 6 guns, 1,200 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. J. F. E. Green, Hongkong.
Plover, 1st class gunboat, 453 tons, 6 guns, 1,200 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. C. V. de M. Cowper, Manila.
Redpoll, British gunboat, 805 tons, Capt. F. F. Haworth Booth, Shanghai.
Santipier, British river gunboat, 2 guns, Lt. Joseph Carter, on the West River.
Swift, gun-vessel, 756 tons, 2 heavy guns, 4 6-pounders, 870 h.p., Hongkong.
Tamar, receiving ship, 4,600 tons, Comdr. Powell, Hongkong.
Tweed, coast defence gunboat, 363 tons, 3 guns, 200 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. H. E. Hillman, on the West River.
Undaunted, 1st class cruiser, 5,600 tons, 12 guns, 8,500 h.p., Capt. A. C. Clarke, en route Wei-hai-wei.
Victorious, British battleship, 14,900 tons, 32 guns, 15,000 h.p., Captain A. Schomberg, en route Singapore.
Waterwitch, surveying vessel, 620 tons, Commander W. P. Dawson, Hongkong.
Whiting, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 600 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. E. Kelly, Hongkong.
Wivern, coast defence ship, 2,750 tons, 4 guns, 1,000 h.p., Hongkong.
Woodcock, British gunboat, 2 guns, 500 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. Watson, on the Yangtze.
Woodruff, British gunboat, 2 guns, 550 h.p., Lt.-Comdr. R. A. Norton, on the Yangtze.
Torpedo-boats in Kowloon Nos. 8 and 20, 35, 36, 37 and 38, first-class; and 3 second-class boats.

Miscellaneous.
Hai Tien, Chinese cruiser, 7,430 tons, Capt. R. S. Len, Hongkong.
Liberal, Russian gunboat, 538 tons, Comdr. J. de Cunha Lima, Hongkong.
Presidente Saragatino, Argentine cruiser, 2,850 tons, Capt. Betheder, Manila.
Valkyrie, Danish cruiser, 3,000 tons, Prince Valdemar, Shanghai.
Zenta, Austrian cruiser, 2,500 tons, Captain Edward Thomann von Montalmar, Swatow.

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA
AND JAPAN STATION.

The Russian Squadron.
Admiral Korniloff, Russian armoured cruiser, 5,000 tons twin screw, 36 guns, 9,500 h.p., Captain Jakovlev, at Nagasaki.
Albatross, Russian gunboat, 810 tons, 8 guns, 1,200 h.p., Captain Eliskis, at Nagasaki.
Bobr, Russian gun-vessel, twin screw, 950 tons, 13 guns, 1,500 h.p., Captain Dobrovolsky, at Nagasaki.
Dmitri Donskoy, Russian armoured cruiser, 5,833 tons twin screw, 34 guns, 7,000 h.p., Captain Sharon, at Nagasaki.
Gaidamak, Russian gunboat, 400 tons, twin screw, 18 guns, 3,500 h.p., Capt. Serbernikoff, at Nagasaki.
Greniatshy, Russian armoured cruiser, 1,492 tons, twin screw 12 guns, 2,000 h.p., Capt. Miklashevsky, at Nagasaki.
Koryeet, Russian cruiser, 1,200 tons, 9 guns, 2,150 h.p., Capt. Sillmann, at Nagasaki.
Mandjour, Russian cruiser, 1,213 tons, twin screw, 14 guns, 1,500 h.p., Capt. Yakovlev, at Nagasaki.
Navarin, Russian battleship, 10,000 tons, 10 guns, 9,000 h.p., Capt. Yenish, at Nagasaki.
Nayadnik, Russian cruiser, 1,334 tons, 14 guns, 1,800 h.p., Capt. Zarine, at Nagasaki.
Odnary, Russian armoured cruiser, 1,490 tons, twin screw, 12 guns, 2,000 h.p., Captain Copriani, at Nagasaki.
Petrovskiy, Russian battleship, 12,000 tons, Capt. Grievais, at Hongkong.
Rostia, Russian armoured cruiser, 12,200 tons, 22 guns, 14,500 h.p., Capt. Domojiroff, at Nagasaki.
Roslyan, Russian cruiser, 1,330 tons, Capt. Gromoff, Manila.
Rurik, Russian flagship, 10,940 tons, armoured twin screw cruiser, 1st class, 38 guns, 13,500 h.p., Capt. Haupt, at Nagasaki.
Silatich, Russian gunboat, 4 guns, 1,200 h.p., Capt. Barronoff, at Nagasaki.
Sistoi Veliky, Russian battleship, 10,000 tons, 14 guns, 8,500 h.p., Capt. Molias, at Nagasaki.
Sivuch, Russian gunboat, 950 tons, twin screw 13 guns, 1,200 h.p., Capt. Soubatkin, at Nagasaki.
Vladimir Monomakh, Russian cruiser, 6,000 tons, 16 guns, Prince Ouchtomsky, at Nagasaki.
Vostok, Russian torpedo gunboat, 4 guns, 650 h.p., Com. Molchousky, at Nagasaki.
Vladimir, Russian torpedo boat, 400 tons, 18 guns, twin screw, 1,500 h.p., Capt. Rogulnik, at Nagasaki.
Zabiatka, Russian cruiser, 1,230 tons, 20 guns, 2,000 h.p., Capt. Shkruif, at Nagasaki.
(1st and 2nd class.)
Fem, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots.
Janichich, Russian torpedo boat, 87 tons, 4 guns, 970 h.p., 10 knots.
Nargun, Russian torpedo boat, 85 tons, 4 guns, 1,200 h.p., 22 knots.
Novorossi, Russian torpedo boat, 87 tons, 4 guns, 2,000 h.p., 22 knots.
Podorski, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots.
Sist, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots.
Sokolov, Russian torpedo boat, 37 tons, 4 guns, 970 h.p., 10 knots.
Steriad, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots.
Strass, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots.
Sunguri, Russian torpedo boat, 140 tons, 4 guns, 1,800 h.p., 22 knots.

RUSSIAN TORPEDO FLOTILLA.
(SEA GOING.)

Borzo, 1st class, Russian torpedo boat, 81 tons, 3 guns, 2 torp tubes 1,100 h.p., speed 21 knots.
Revel, 1st class, Russian torpedo boat, 96 tons, 3 guns, 2 torp tubes 780 h.p., speed 22 knots.
Usuri, Russian torpedo boat, 140 tons, 4 guns, 1,800 h.p., 22 knots.
* Flagship of Vice-Admiral Alekief.
* Flagship of Rear-Admiral F. V. Dubossouff.
* Flagship of Rear-Admiral Renouff.

THE FRENCH SQUADRON.

Bengali, 1st class dispatch boat, Lt. Comdr. De La Croix de Castries, at Haiphong.
D'Entrecasteaux, 1st class cruiser, 8,100 tons, 26 guns, 13,500 h.p., Capt. de Marolles, en route Japan.
Descartes, 2nd class protected cruiser, 4,000 tons, 36 guns 631 h.p., Captain Philibert, at Kwang-chow-wan.
Eure, Dispatch-transport, Capt. Vallée, at Saigon.
Jean Bart, 1st class cruiser, 4,500 tons, 10 guns, 8,000 h.p., Capt. Aubin, at Kwang-chow-wan.
Kersaint, 3rd class cruiser, 1,300 tons, 13 guns, 2,200 h.p., Capt. de la Motte du Portail, at Saigon.
Lion, gunboat, 473 tons, 8 guns, 576 h.p., Capt. Amet, at Kwang-chow-wan.
Pascal, 2nd class protected cruiser, 4,000 tons, 36 guns, 9,000 h.p., Capt. M. Motet, at Yokohama.
Surprise, gunboat, 627 tons, 16 guns, 860 h.p., Capt. Mornet, at Saigon.
* Flagship of Vice-Admiral Courtejoles.

THE GERMAN SQUADRON.

Gefion, German cruiser, 4,200 tons, 25 guns, 9,000 h.p., Capt. Rollmann, at Manila.
Hansa, German cruiser, 6,400 tons, Capt. Pohl, at Singapore.
Hertha, German cruiser, 6,000 tons, Capt. S. v. Uesdon, Japan.
Illis, German gunboat, 1,000 tons, 10 guns, 1,600 h.p., Capt. H. H. Lans, at Amoy.
Irene, German cruiser, 4,400 tons, 22 guns, 8,000 h.p., Capt. Stein, Formosa.
Jaguar, German cruiser, Captain Kinderling, at Shanghai.
Kaiserin Augusta, German cruiser, 6,000 tons, 12 guns, 13,040 h.p., Captain Gulich, at Shanghai.
* Flagship of Admiral Fritze.

THE AMERICAN SQUADRON.

Baltimore, Flagship, U.S. cruiser, 4,413 tons, 10 guns, 10,664 h.p., Capt. J. M. Forsyth, Manila.
Bennington, U.S. gunboat, 1,710 tons, 6 guns, 3,336 h.p., Com. C. H. Arnold, at Manila.
Brooklyn, Flagship, U.S. cruiser, Admiral Watson, Manila.
Cairo, U.S. gunboat, 137 tons, 1 gun, 55 h.p., Lieut. Benjamin Tappan, at Manila.
Cassidy, U.S. gunboat, 1,350 tons, 8 guns, 2,199 h.p., Comdr. S. W. Verry, at Japan.
Celtic, U.S. supply-ship, 6,428 tons, 1,890 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. N. J. K. Patch, at Manila.
Concord, U.S. gunboat, 1,700 tons, 6 guns, 3,405 h.p., Comdr. S. M. Ackley, at Manila.
Culver, U.S. supply-ship, 7,000 tons, 2,350 h.p., Comdr. J. V. Carlin, at Manila.
Glacier, U.S. supply-ship, Lieut.-Comdr. J. B. Briggs, at Manila.
Helena, U.S. gunboat, 1,307 tons, 8 guns, 1,998 h.p., Comdr. E. K. Moore, at Manila.
Iris, U.S. distilling ship, 6,000 tons, 1,300 h.p., Lt.-Comdr. W. H. Everett, at Hongkong.
Manila, U.S. gunboat, 1,057 tons, 2 guns, 750 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. A. F. Nazro, at Manila.
Monadnock, U.S. double-turret monitor, 4,000 tons, 6 guns, 3,000 h.p., Comdr. John McGowan, at Hongkong.
Monaghan, U.S. gunboat, 1,370 tons, 6 guns, 850 h.p., Com. G. A. Bicknell, at Shanghai.
Monterey, U.S. double-turret monitor, 4,081 tons, 4 guns, 3,244 h.p., Comdr. E. H. C. Lettice, at Manila.
New York, U.S. cruiser, 4,083 tons, Capt. B. McCullam, at Hongkong.
Oregon, 1st class U.S. battleship, 10,288 tons, 1